

Delaware EMSC Advisory Committee
Meeting Minutes
August 4, 2015, 12:00-2:00pm
Edgehill Public Health Training Center
43 S. Dupont Hwy, Dover De 19901

Attendees: Dr. Maricar Diaz, MarySue Jones, Laurie Garrison, Colleen Dudlek, Mary Beth Holland, Mike O'Malley, Christina Hoddinott, Dawn Ryan, Beth MacDonald, Niki Morris, Andy Fulton, Dr. Ross Megargel, Dr. Kelly Abbrescia, Dafne Carnright, Marilyn Mitchell, Jennifer Whaley, Amy Whalen, Tim Cooper, Sean Elwell, Keith Fishlock, Donna Matwiecewicz, Dr. Sandra Gibney, Matt Pragg, Dr. Kevin Bristow

Excused:

<u>TOPICS</u>	<u>LEADER</u>	<u>DISCUSSION/ACTION PLAN SUMMARY</u>
Meeting Minutes	M. Diaz	The meeting minutes from May 19, 2015 were approved without revision.
The Emergency Needs of Children with Autism Spectrum Disorder	D. Carnright	Dafne Carnright, LPCMH, presented on the Emergency Needs of Children with Autism Spectrum Disorder. Ms. Carnright gave a background on what Autism Spectrum Disorder is. She explained the terminology, how the disorder is diagnosed, and common behaviors, signs, and symptoms. The Picture Exchange Communication System (PECS) was presented as an alternative communication system when interacting with non-verbal patients in an emergency situation. Additionally, the hyper/hyposensitivity components of Autism were discussed along with their relevance to an emergency scene/hospital emergency room.
EMSC Coordinator Update	L. Garrison	Laurie Garrison reported that she began in the position of EMSC Coordinator on June 15, 2015. She will be attending the National EMSC Conference in Philadelphia the week of August 10, 2015.
EMSC Grant	L. Garrison M.S. Jones	Laurie Garrison reported that a carryover fund request was submitted in June by MarySue Jones. She asked that any hospital needing small pediatric equipment contact her directly as some funds may be available. MarySue Jones reported that she did a Performance Measure Report in June.
Pediatric Preparedness Update	M.S. Jones T. Cooper	MarySue Jones passed out copies of the Delaware information from the Save the Children Report. Tim Cooper reported that Laurie Garrison will be joining the Office of Preparedness' vulnerable population focus group to represent pediatric interests. He also discussed forming a group to focus on how disaster issues effect children and what opportunities are there to prepare plans in advance. MarySue Jones reported that Dr. Erin Meyer has volunteered to be a part of the group. Dr. Abbrescia from Bayhealth suggested that the pediatric hospitalists from Kent General and Christiana Hospital should be a part of the group. Sean Elwell from A.I. duPont suggested that Frank Sullivan would be a contact at A.I. for the group.
Pediatric System	M. Diaz M.S. Jones L. Garrison	Standards and Quality Committee Report MarySue Jones reported that the second round of site visits has been completed for the Pediatric Emergency Care Facility Recognition Program and the results were very positive. The hospitals are working on incorporating the suggestions from the site visits into their programs. The Standards and Quality Committee is now reviewing the standards for Level IV sites. A webinar meeting was held on July 13, 2015 to review the existing standards and begin making revisions. The Committee will be planning to do site visits at the two freestanding emergency rooms within the next six months.

Future Direction of EMSC in Delaware	M. Diaz	Dr. Diaz discussed results of a survey that was sent to Committee members asking for input on the existing state of the Delaware EMSC program and the direction for the future. Several additions were made and any further suggestions can be sent to Laurie Garrison to be added to the list.
Member Agency Sharing	M. O'Malley B. MacDonald M. Pragg A. Whalen S. Elwell K. Bristow T. Cooper D. Carnright R. Megargel M. Mitchell C. Dudlek S. Gibney	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. SafeKids: The Safe Kids Conference was held on June 24 with approximately 110 attendees. The next car seat technician class will be held from September 15-18 in Lewes. House Bill 69, the ATV bill, passed and was signed by the Governor. The ATV Coalition had an educational table at the Delaware State Fair to promote ATV safety in support of the newly signed bill. A bike rodeo, in partnership with DelDOT, was held on Kid's Day at the State Fair. On July 29, a life vest/water safety event was held in partnership with the Wilmington YMCA. Safe Kids will be represented at National Night Out events in Milford, Dover, Wilmington, Harrington, and Smyrna, as well as two other events in Milford during the month of August. 2. SNAP: Total enrollees are down to 226. Smart 911 is now statewide. The Persons with Access, Functional and Medical Needs Group will be meeting later in the week to begin developing a functional information support center during State Health Operations Center (SHOC) activities. Beth MacDonald passed out a "Preparedness Buddy" brochure that has been launched. 3. Matt Pragg reviewed the capabilities of their new helicopters and the plans for future enhancements to their fleet. 4. Amy Whalen reported that Christiana received Magnet designation. The hospital is extremely busy this summer. 5. Sean Elwell reported that the ED team at A.I. duPont has been fully staffed. Donna reported that the Trauma Symposium will be held on September 26 at A.I. duPont. 6. Dr. Bristow reported that Beebe is at max capacity on a regular basis. The new bike trails are now open in Sussex and DelDOT and DNREC are working on enhancing signage to make the trails safer where they cross roadways. 7. Tim Cooper reported that the Office of Preparedness received a grant to develop plans for an Ebola outbreak and hold a statewide tabletop exercise. Preparedness is working with the eleven Divisions of the Department of Public Health to develop max care plans. Public Health is working with the Department of Agriculture to develop avian influenza plans in case of an outbreak. There have been some meetings in regards to the Papal visit to Philadelphia in September and the effects of the associated temporary population surge. 8. Daphne Carnright reported that legislation passed requiring all summer camps to run background checks on all their staff. 9. Dr. Megargel reported that a local EMS distributor was pushing an alternative to Broselow tapes recently and reminded everyone that Broselow tapes are the approved standard. The American Heart Association is releasing new ACLS standards in the fall. OEMS will be working on new standing orders over the winter, to be implemented in the fall of 2016. Please send in all recommendations to Dr. Megargel or Andy Fulton. 10. Marilyn Mitchell reported that both Kent General and Milford Hospital received Magnet designation. Stabbing, gunshot wounds, overdoses, and motorcycle crashes are the leading causes of injury in Dover right now. 11. Colleen Dudlek and Dr. Gibney reported that they were the hospital designated for the Beau Biden funeral events and they learned a lot about what the Secret Service requires. Also, they will be participating in an Amtrak derailment drill on October 2, including a pediatric component.
Next Meeting		EMSC Advisory Committee Meeting will be held on November 17, 2015 from 12:00-2:00pm, with networking lunch starting promptly at 11:45am @ EdgeHill Training Center, 43 S. Dupont Highway, Dover, De 19901